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Jay Marshall UtahAmerican Energy, Inc. P.O. Box 986 Price, Utah 84501

Subject: Final Assessment for Violation #10035 UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., Horse Canyon Mine,

C/007/0013

Dear Mr. Marshall:

On July 15, 2009, an Informal Assessment Conference was held to review the assessment for Violation #10035. As a result of a review of all pertinent data and facts, including those presented in the Informal Conference, the attached document constitutes the final assessment.

Within fifteen (15) days of your receipt of this letter, you or your agent may make a written appeal to the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining. To do so, you must escrow the assessed civil penalties with the Division within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, but in all cases prior to the Board Hearing. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in a waiver of your right of further recourse.

If no timely appeal is made, this assessed civil penalty of \$550.00 must be tendered within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this letter. Please remit payment to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, c/o Vickie Southwick at the address listed below.

Sincgrely,

Jóhn R. Baza

Director

Assessment Conference Officer

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Enclosures

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UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING WORKSHEET FOR FINAL ASSESSMENT OF PENALTIES

COMPANY: UtahAmerican Energy, Inc.

PERMIT: C/007/013 VIOLATION: 10035

ASSESSMENT CONFERENCE OFFICER: John R. Baza 7/10/09

			Proposed Assessment	Final Assessment
(1)	History/Previous Violations		0	0
(2)	Seriousness		20	10
(3)	Negligence		30	30
(4)	Good Faith			-15
		Total Points	42	25

TOTAL ASSESSED FINE \$550.00

NARRATIVE: The Conference Officer reduced the seriousness points by 10 because the bond never lapsed, and there was no threat of having to call the bond. The concern and reason for the CO was the rating of the bonding company. More credit for good faith was given because the Permittee had a replacement bond in place the day he received the violation. Finalization of the process took six days only because the Division required a new Reclamation Agreement, which took time to get signed by Corporate Officers. The negligence points were not lowered because the Permittee had over 120 days to change bonding companies after the Division notified him of the need by letter. The inspector felt this indifference to the DOGM regulations warranted a greater degree of fault, the assessment and conference officers agreed.